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1. Production of anhydrous sulphuric acid in the Soviet Zone is now 14,000 tons per month.
2. Production of pyrites has reached 6,000 to 7,000 tons per month from the two mines at Elbingerode and Himmelfahrt, near Freiberg. Pyrite stocks are sufficient for needs through May 1950. Attempts are being made to sell the surplus to western buyers.
3. IG Farben Werke Wolfen is going to be reconstructed and at the end of three years will have a calcium sulphite production of 10,000 tons per month. Construction head and chief director is Dr. Reissmann.
4. The Konstruktions-und Ingenieur Biro (KIB) in the Russian Zone is now copying all forms of chemical apparatus bought from West Zone firms, including such heavy equipment as vertical shafts.
5. Russian Zone firms near Dresden (Dohna) are building up a synthetic (Tefluone) (sic) and insecticide industry based on the use of hydrofluoric acid.

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